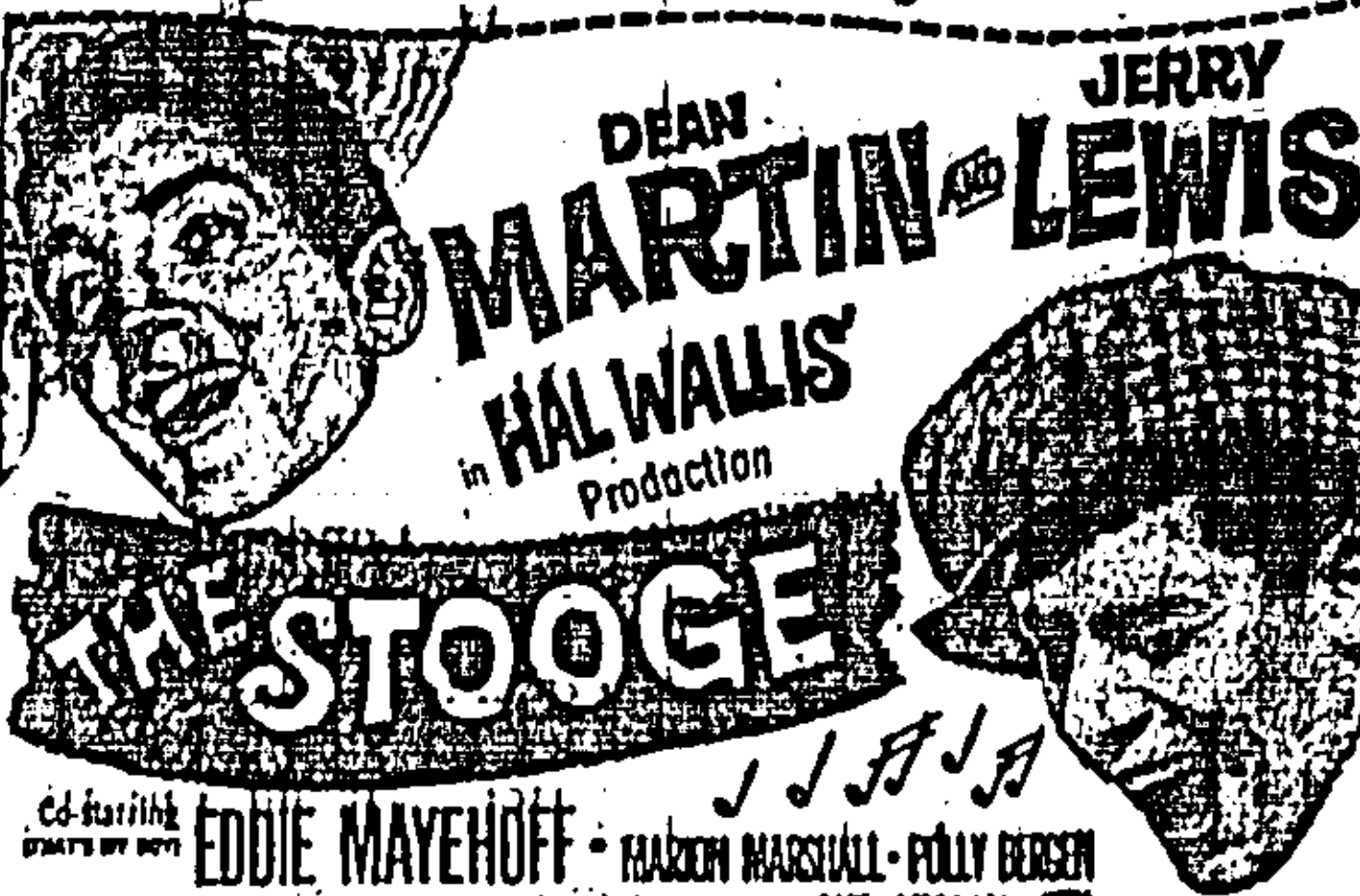


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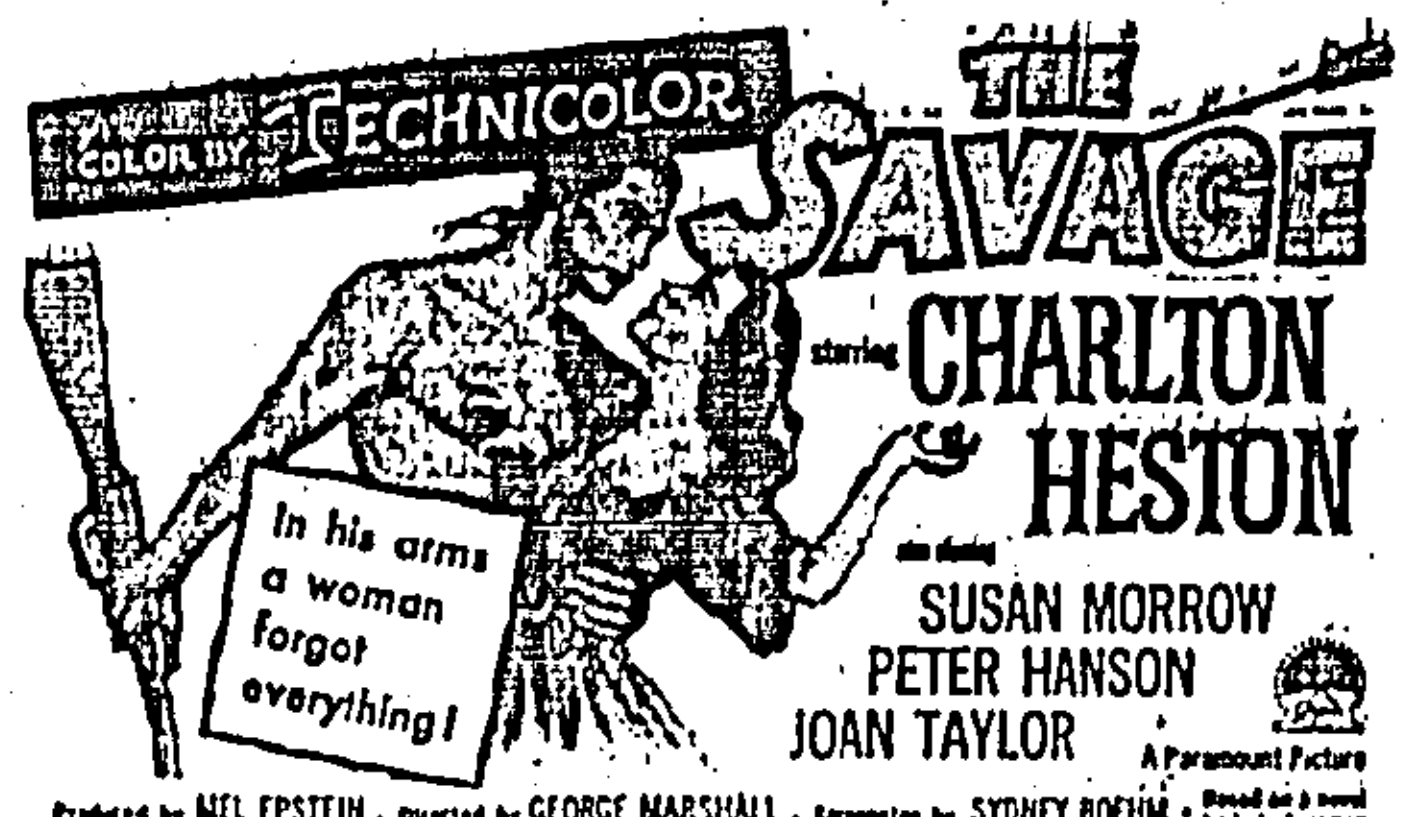
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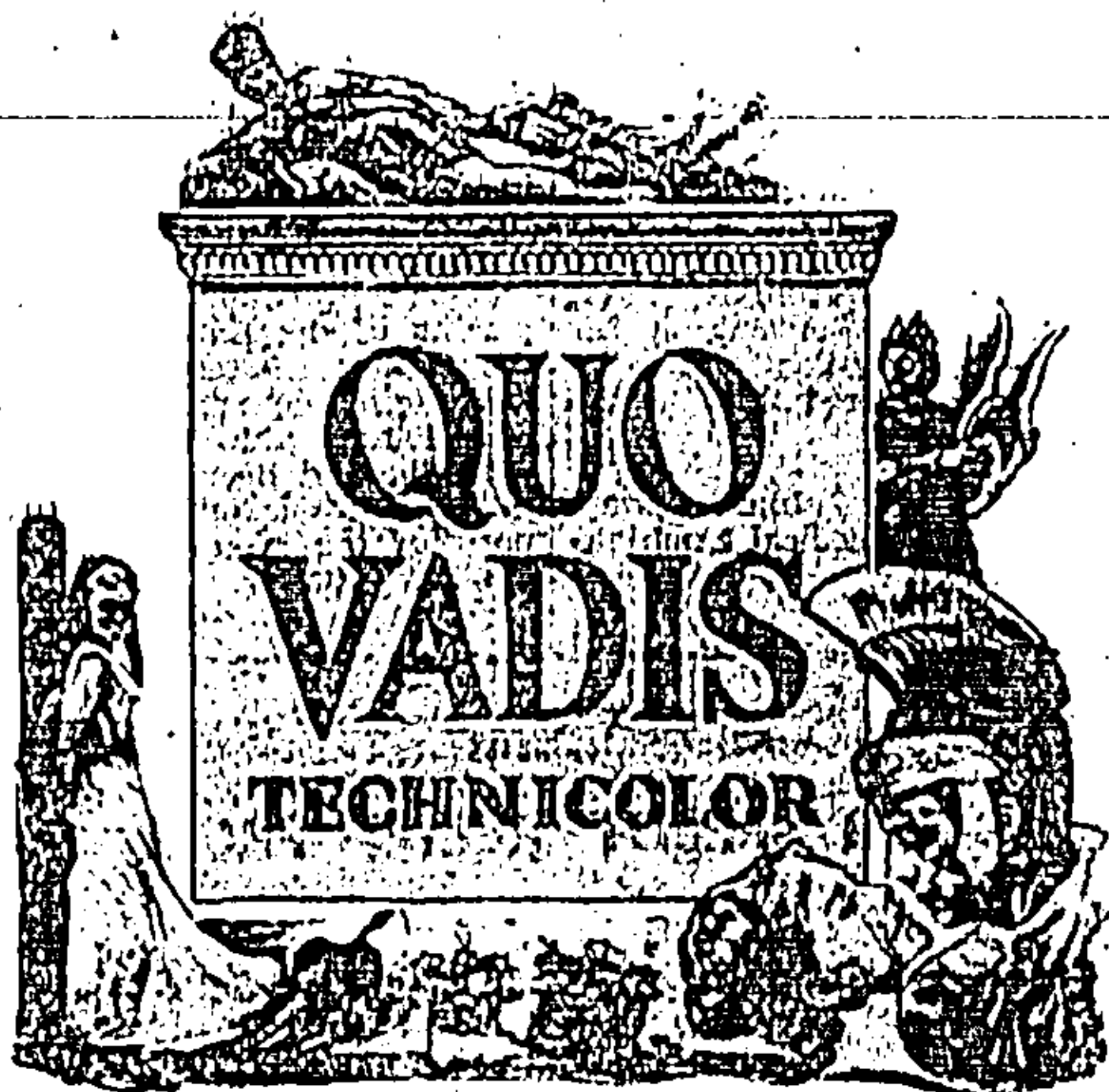
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THE "BOER WAR" BATTLE

South African Election Fought On Racial Basis



Professor Picard, well-known for his stratosphere balloon experiments in the 1930's and his later deep sea experiments in a bathysphere, looks across the Bay of Capri where he is taking a holiday before making new tests in a new type of bathysphere. (London Express photo).

Guatemala Pulls Out Of Central American Bloc

Guatemala City, Apr. 7. Guatemala, complaining of "interference in its internal affairs", has withdrawn from the organisation of Central American states.

BBC Expert Coming Out

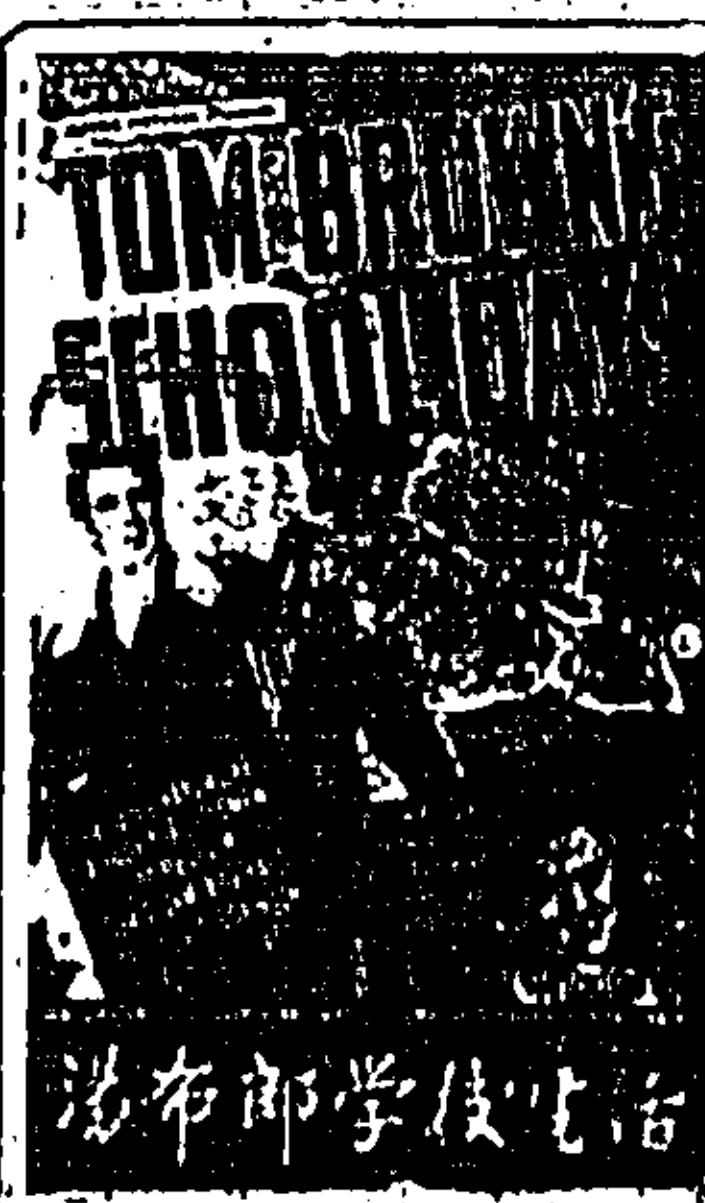
London, Apr. 7. A senior British radio engineer, who will help African, West Indian and Asian colonies to develop broadcasting, the Colonial Office announced tonight.

Mr W.A. Roberts, former assistant to the British Broadcasting Corporation's chief engineer, has joined the Colonial Office to advise on further technical development of radio in the colonial territories.

Mr Roberts, member of a broadcasting commission who visited the Gold Coast, recently, will tour the Mediterranean, East Africa, the West Indies and South-east Asia.—Reuter.

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Dream Of An Afrikaner Republic Still Persists

Johannesburg, Apr. 7. South Africa's general election for the House of Assembly on April 15 is shaping as a "Boer War" battle between Afrikaners and English-speaking South Africans for control of the country.

Beneath the surface of all the issues runs a strong current of the old rivalry between the two white communities who have never really merged since the early settler days despite many enlightened attempts to "fuse" them.

Broadly, Dr. Daniel Malan's Nationalist Party draws its support from Boer descendants and the Afrikaans-speaking half of the country, while most English-speaking South Africans want government by the United Party, headed by Mr J.G.M. Strauss.

The division is not entirely clear, both sides have adherents from each other.

Internal strife, political, economic and social circumstances, party loyalties and patriotic motives have served through the last few generations to blur the outlines of racial differences between European stocks but enough feeling remains for controversy.

This controversy finds expression in divided opinions over South Africa's ties to Britain and the rival rights of the English and Afrikaans languages.

RIVAL TRADITIONS

All want to be "South Africans" but neither side wants domination by the other. From both sides comes a quiet, but sometimes open, determination to preserve or propagate their own language and way of life. Rival sets of traditions are jealously guarded and encouraged.

Many Afrikaners, slow to forget their defeat by the British in the early struggle for lands and power in South Africa, are irked by continuing subservience to the British Crown. To some extremists anything English is still anathema.

English-speaking people see Afrikaner impatience to abandon any responsibility to or for Britain more as an attempt to justify their own destiny in the country than any impartial plan for the future and independence of South Africa.

They fear that if the Nationalists are returned to power for another five years, they will seek to turn South Africa more and more "Afrikaner" and further and further from Britain, the old dream of an Afrikaner republic.

Many leading Nationalists want to make South Africa a republic, either inside or outside the Commonwealth. Some decide more towards the latter if they win the election. The United Party are opposed to changing South Africa's present status as a loyal Dominion of the Commonwealth.

MALAN POLICY

Dr Daniel Malan has given some assurances about remaining in the Commonwealth, but many English-speaking voters are not so sure what would happen if the veteran leader retires in favour of one of his more extreme followers. Moreover, they remember Dr Malan's advocacy of "neutrality" in the Second World War.

Some Nationalists raise the cry "one people, one flag, one language". English-speaking inhabitants lead into this a long term ambition of some members of the party to win South Africa exclusively for Afrikaners and Afrikaans.

Under the Nationalist regime, the demand for the Afrikaans language has been pursued and pressed.

English and Afrikaans are the best joint official languages of the Union of South Africa, protected by the constitution. Serious efforts have been made to bridge the difference between the two peoples by bilingualism, but the English are inclined to regard Afrikaans with contempt as an unnecessary language.

Many Government posts now require bi-lingual ability, all

Government notices are in both languages, and an increasing number of publications once accepted in English alone are now having to give translations in Afrikaans. More Afrikaners qualify for bi-lingual jobs than English, so the Civil Service is becoming steadily more Afrikaner.

Under a Language Ordinance in the Transvaal province, children of English-speaking families can be required to go to schools where they are taught only in Afrikaans if an inspector considers that they have a better knowledge of Afrikaans than of English.—Reuter.

Bornemann Surrenders At Karlsruhe

Karlsruhe, Apr. 7. Dr Friedrich Karl Bornemann, alleged neo-Nazi conspirator, gave himself up to the West German, Supreme Federal Court here today after travelling from his hideout in the United States zone.

Dr Bornemann, eighth on this list of suspected plotters, fled when Werner Naumann and six other ex-Nazi leaders were arrested by the British in January.

The British High Commission in Bonn announced today that three members of the group have withdrawn pleas pending before a British Court.

Their applications, tantamount to a request for release on legal grounds, ceased to be relevant when the British turned the men over to German justice.

Three men are Karl Kaufmann, former Nazi gaudier of Hamburg, Dr Gustav Scheel, former Nazi students leader, and Dr Heinrich Haselmeier, an "old fighter" of Hitler's party.

Haselmeier's pleas lodged by the other four men of the group failed while they were still in British custody.

Dr Bornemann, a former district leader of the Hitler Youth, arrived at the Court at 10.00 hours local time (10.00 GMT) today. A warrant for his arrest had been issued earlier.—Reuter.

Surgery's Claims In Lung Cancer

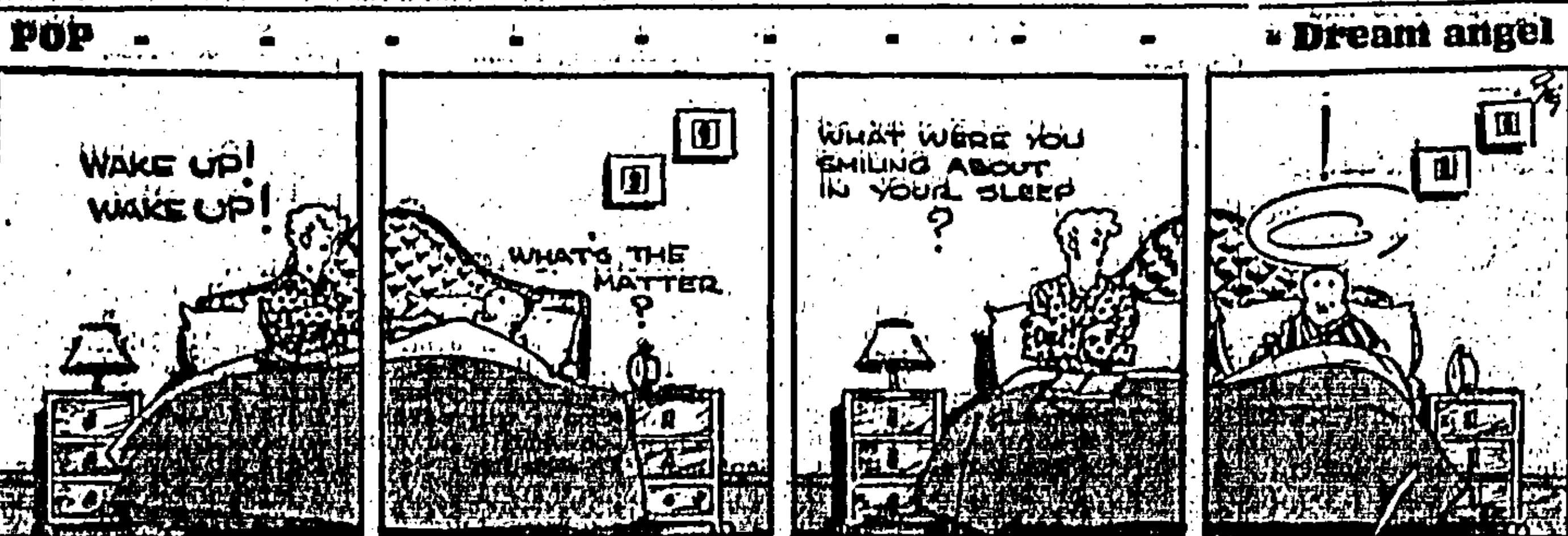
Los Angeles, Apr. 7. Victims of lung cancer, survived in 22 per cent of the cases in which one lung and sometimes parts of both lungs were removed, a Philadelphia surgeon reports.

Dr John H. Gibbon Jr. told the American Surgical Association that this year's operations performed upon 208 volunteer patients.

Persons who live for five years after surgery are rated as survivors.

Dr Gibbon said 101 of the 205 patients underwent removal of an entire lung. In each of the 205 cases surgery offered the only hope for survival.

With modern surgical techniques, all of one lung and as much as one-fourth of the other can be removed in some cases, Dr Gibbon said.—Associated Press.



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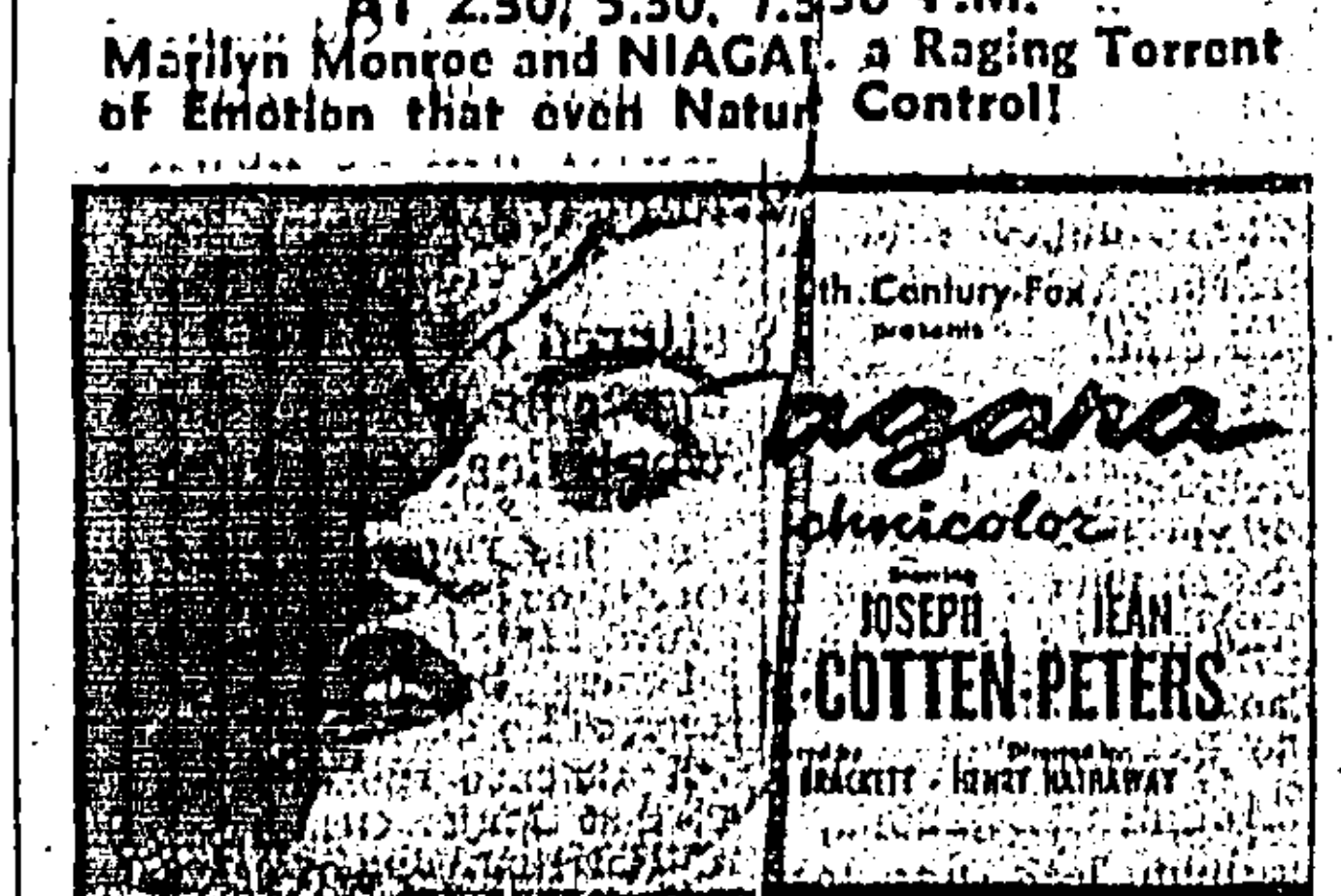
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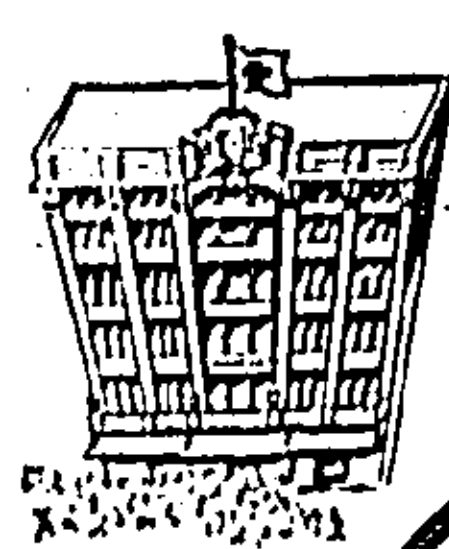
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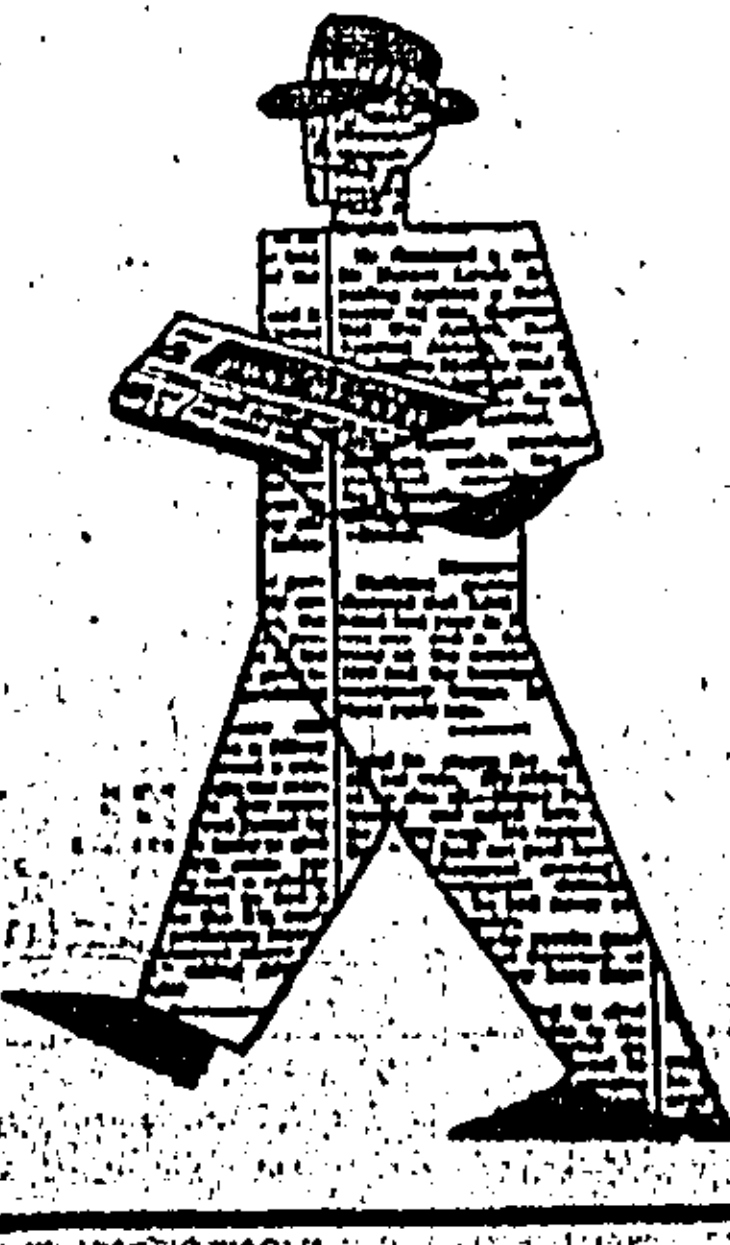
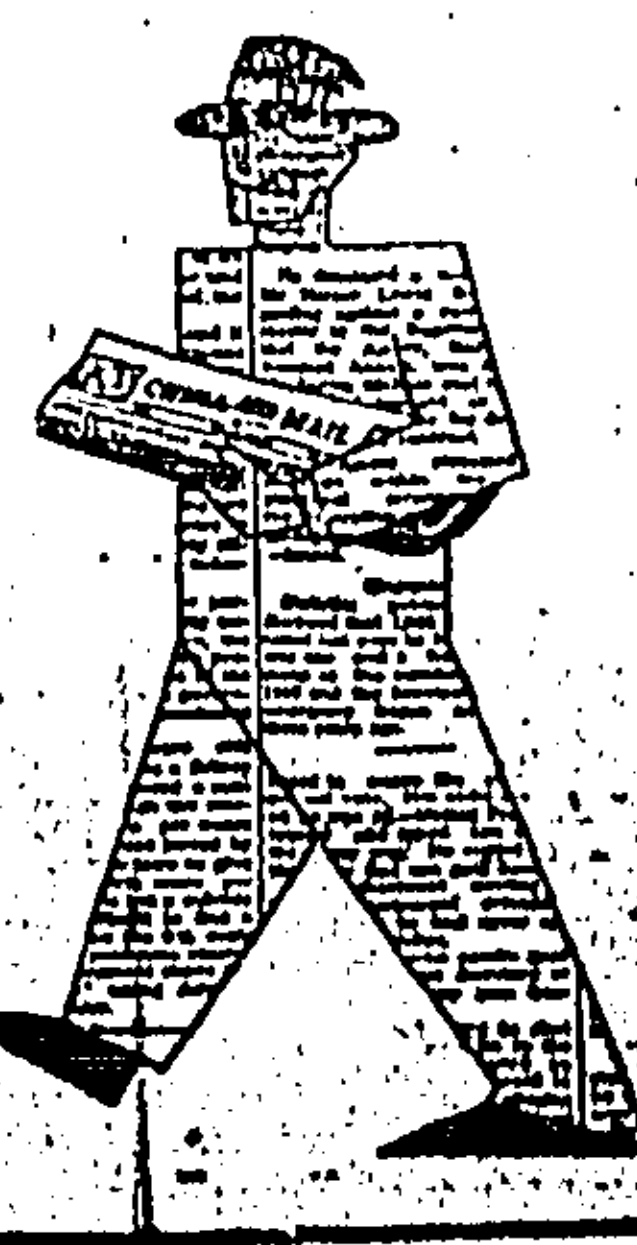
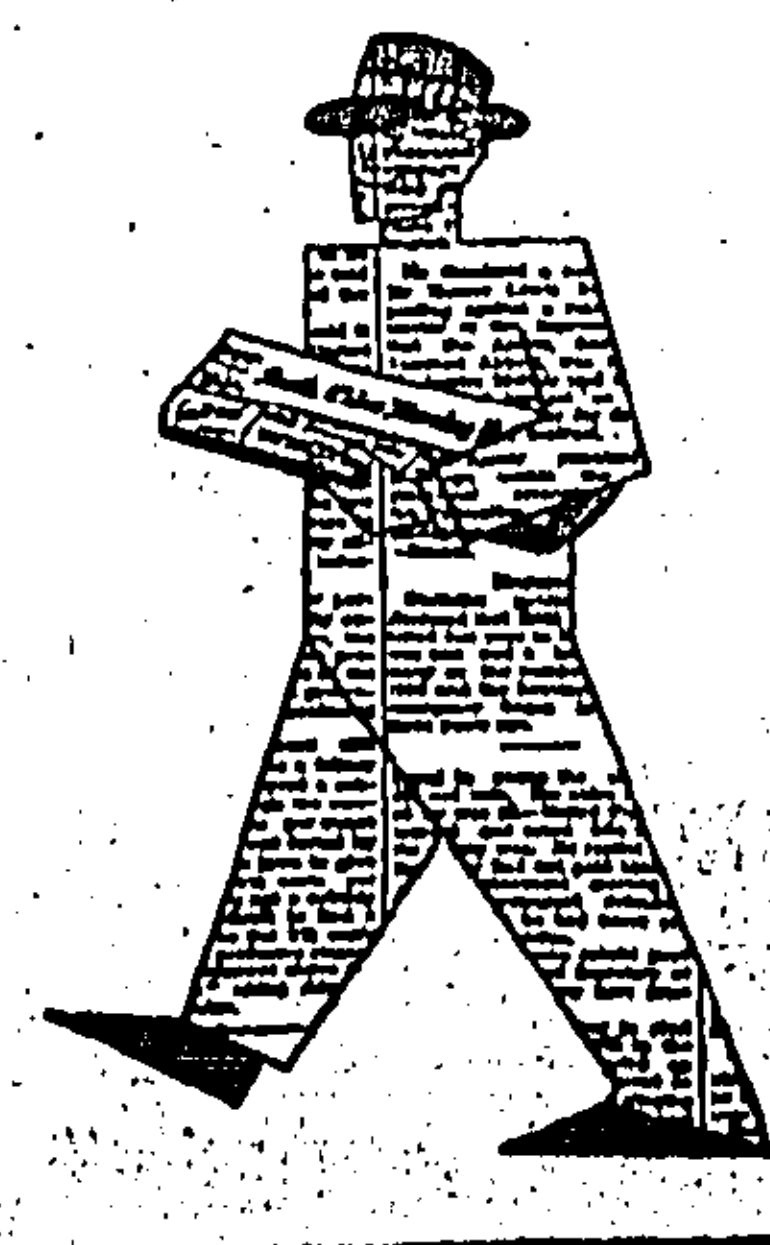
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SEFTON DELMER

YES, I am home again from Germany; home to my Suffolk farm; home to reflect on my meeting with a man of whom you have heard a lot in the past—and of whom you may well hear quite a bit in the future.

I called on him before catching my week-end plane home from Düsseldorf.

When I had last seen him he was sitting in the dock at the Nuremberg war crimes trial accused—along with Goering, Ribbentrop, Keitel, and the rest—of conspiring with Hitler to set fire to the world.

Now I found him surrounded by secretaries and assistants in the prosperous-looking office he occupies as chairman and founder of Düsseldorf's newest banking venture—

Putting a money-man on the NEWSMAP

I get little change out of a wizard

by SEFTON DELMER

Germany proposes to finance these schemes. How she thinks to give £100 million credit to Egypt for the dam (or find outside backing for such a credit), when Egypt has—

1 NOTHING to pay with except cotton, which is falling in value all the time;

2 A REGIME on which not even the most optimistic banker would care to count for the maintenance of security, law, and order over a period of years.

I got little change from Schacht.

Oh, no, no

FIRST, he denied that he has anything to do with the negotiations now going on in Cairo. "That's Government stuff," he said. "You know how badly I stand with the present Government."

Then he fulminated against the German Federal Parliament for having agreed to £300 million of reparations to Israel.

"Height of stupidity to start all these reparations business ever again. Can't possibly pay anything like that. Well, we shall see where it lands us."

But he did not think £100 million of credit by any means impossible to Germany.

"When you have goods and services to offer, you don't need money credits. You give the goods and services as credit."

How are the men who produce the goods and services to live in the meantime? His answer: "We Germans must draw in our belts to make these schemes possible. We are living too lavishly."

The traveller

NOT very convincing, I fear. When I pressed him further, he said: "I admit that an orthodox banker would approve the ideas I have for solving this problem. But I am not an orthodox banker. Never was. Couldn't have got rid of Germany's 6,000,000 unemployed if I had been."

"What exactly my idea is, is a secret. If I told you, someone might step in and copy it, and mess up the whole scheme."

What Schacht did reveal to me was Germany's new Sebastian technique for getting orders from the suspicious Governments of the Arab States and the ex-colonies of Germany's ex-enemies.

"It is no use turning up with catalogues and order books. The thing to do is to visit a country and report to its Government quite objectively and unselfishly on the best means for developing that country's economy."

Then he added: "The great thing is to make it clear to them that we want to raise their standards of production and of living in the

AMERICA COLUMN from NEWELL ROGERS

CORONATION FILMS BY JET

New York. **A**merican TV stations want to hire one or two jet planes from the RAE to fly Coronation films across the Atlantic on June 2.

They have decided it is the surest way to get the films on U.S. screens on Coronation night.

One jet could leave London about 2 p.m. (10 a.m. in New York) and touch down at New York in mid-afternoon. This would give the TV men time to develop the film and rush it on to dinner-hour screens.

The second jet would come in soon after, with the complete film.

UP THE LADDER to fourth place among motor-car makers goes Henry J. Kaiser. He has bought the Willys-Overland Company for more than £22,000,000. He will continue to make its cars and his own.

BRITISH aviation is creeping up on its American rivals for a bigger share of the rich Coronation traffic over the North Atlantic. Starting this month, U.S. airlines will run 24 flights weekly to London.

E.A.C. 10. Some places still have seats unbooked for May, but to latecomers who want to fly over at Coronation time the airlines say: "You'll have to bring your own wings."

HARRY TRUMAN, looking for a friend's house in San Francisco, knocked at the wrong door and was told by the householder: "Say, I hope your feelings won't be hurt, but

you look exactly like Harry Truman."

ENJOYING the Broadway bright lights again are those French sailors who were not allowed ashore in New York recently because they refused indignantly to answer personal questions from immigration inspectors.

The inspectors have whittled down the questions from 34 to four. They now cover only Communist Party membership, disease, and criminal records.

THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT is to ask Congress for the right to tap telephones in espionage cases and use the evidence in trials.

FUDITH Coplan, a civil servant, was convicted in 1949 of slipping Government secrets to Russia's Valentin Gubichev. But a court held the conviction to be invalid because the evidence was obtained by wire-tapping.

SLIM SILHOUETTE will be the aim of the American male for 1953, forecasts the New York Times in a 72-page report on men's wear.

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SCHACHT

Important information on to London.

"I never heard a word from Sir Ivone."

"But Mossadegh's offer still stands. In my last letter from him, only eight weeks ago, he made this quite plain."

Dr Schacht threw out his arms in a gesture of despair and exasperation. And he asked two questions.

"Why do the British distrust me, Herr Delmer? What have the British got against me?"

(London Express Service)

A GIANT OF POLITICS, BUT OUR STRANGEST PRIME MINISTER

THE GREAT ECCENTRIC

By Robert Blake

ROBERT CECIL, third Marquess of Salisbury, dominated British politics in the last two decades of the nineteenth century. He was Prime Minister for longer than anyone else since the accession of Queen Victoria.

Yet he has received little attention from the bio-

graphers. This is partly because for many years historians awaited the completion of the great biography by his daughter, Lady Gwendolen Cecil. Unhappily she died in 1945 before she had finished, and her four brilliant volumes only go down to 1892, leaving a serious gap for the last 11 years of Salisbury's life.

Captain A. L. Kennedy's scholarly, competent, readable and accurate one volume biography cannot, of course, fill this gap. No one can do this, until the Salisbury papers have been sorted and catalogued—a task now in progress.

Captain Kennedy has, indeed, had access to the Foreign Office archives for the period, but even these are by no means complete, owing to Salisbury's peculiar habit of conducting foreign policy from Hatfield largely in private letters written to ambassadors in his own hand. Nevertheless, Captain Kennedy's book is a most useful interim life and an excellent introduction to one of the strangest characters ever to hold the post of Prime Minister.

For Salisbury was a great 'character' of every kind. What other Prime Minister has been so absent-minded that he failed to recognise one of his oldest cabinet colleagues at a dinner party; and shook hands with his own son at reception under the impression that he was greeting an unfamiliar guest?

And has there ever been a Prime Minister so addicted to 'gadgets' of every kind? His early experiments with electricity and telephony are alone enough to cheer one up in this drab age of competent mediocrity.

Guests at Hatfield never could have found life dull, now dining under glaring and vibrating arc lamps, now plunged into darkness illuminated only by a dull red glow, now summoned to extinguish a fire which had broken out in the roof of the gallery by pulling it with cushions. Then there was the telephone. Visitors were alternately enraged at tripping over bare wires laid along Hatfield's endless corridors, and astonished at the sound of the Prime Minister's ringing telephone: "Here diddle diddle the cat and the fiddle; the cow jumped over the moon," in order to test the acoustics of this primitive instrument.

But Lord Salisbury was, of course, much more than an English Eccentric. He was a consummate politician, and a great statesman.

When he succeeded Disraeli as leader of the Conservative Party, his position was by no means secure. But he outmanoeuvred his rivals, including Lord Randolph Churchill, the most dangerous and brilliant of them all.

He named Joseph Chamberlain. He arranged for the succession to pass peacefully and smoothly to his own nephew, Arthur Balfour.

When Salisbury resigned in 1902 he was master of his own party, and for more than seven years his party had been master of the country. During the greater part of his time as Prime Minister he also held the Foreign Office—an experiment only once initiated by Ramsay MacDonald in 1924. Britain's power and prestige has never before or since stood so high as it did when Salisbury died.

Yet, despite his dominant position in British politics, his opinions were curiously out of sympathy with those current in his day.

The last quarter of the nineteenth century was an age of belief in progress, democracy, and imperialism. Salisbury was never an imperialist. He spoke with dislike of those "who wished to go everywhere and take everything."

Still less was he a democrat. He saw no reason to suppose that the masses would use their power any more wisely than any other class to which exclusive power had been entrusted. The time would, soon come, "when the rich will pay all the taxes, and the poor will make all the laws."

Moreover, like many intellectual Conservatives Salisbury was somewhat of a pessimist. To him what was remarkable about civilisation, was not its defects but the fact that it existed at all.

SALISBURY, 1826-1905. Portrait of an Englishman, by A. L. Kennedy (John Murray, 5s.).

Clock in, clock out—a comedy of factory life . . . by

Nathaniel Gubbins

WHEN it was announced that the T.U.C. had advised the Chancellor of the Exchequer to increase income tax many people like myself wondered what will happen if and when this brilliant body of men control the country and everybody's income is reduced by taxation to (say) £5 a week.

I was thinking particularly of the entertainment world, in which nobody would bother to write books or plays, act, compose music, sing, or paint pictures if there was no hope at all of earning more than a road-sweeper.

How do you know he wears corsets? He stumbled at a crossing—lifting the old elbow again I suppose—and I grabbed him round the waist. Solid whalebone, old man.

Still, he's going to look pretty smart at Easter. At present prices that tweed jacket and flannels must have cost him a packet.

Off the peg at a sale, old man. Saw him coming out of the shop.

Well, you do surprise me. What's that striped tie he wears? Old school? Don't be funny, old man. With an accent like that?

Well, perhaps it's regimental. Didn't he fight in the Kaiser's war?

Fight in the Kaiser's war, old man? He couldn't fight, pusey.

Perhaps it's a club tie—Junior Carlton, or Royal St. George's, or something like that.

Something like that is good. Do you know what club it is, old man?

I'm asking you, old man. Balfour Cycling Club, old man.

Never, old man? Fact, old man.

Flying Visit

IN the excitement of Tito's visit, the arrival of Tibbo, the Balkan cat, paying a brief visit to Lottie, the Devil Cat, went almost unnoticed.

Nevertheless, the same secrecy was maintained. No body was told where Tibbo was staying, though, judging by the noise at night, hundreds must have guessed it was somewhere in the garden of the Sea Nest.

Like Tito, Tibbo travelled fast wherever he went, so an accurate description of him is not available.

But brief glimpses of him flashing across the tiles and over the grass wall at high speed revealed him to be dark and handsome, and his wild Balkan love songs will never be forgotten by those who suffered five sleepless nights.

An official lunch, organised in the kitchen, turned out to be a fiasco. Lottie was waiting to receive him, but Tibbo streaked in, snatched a leg of rabbit, and streaked out into the garden, where he was viciously attacked by hungry cats lining the route to the dustbin.

It is fortunate that Tibbo will return home before Manhattan Mouser arrives for the Coronation. Otherwise he would have to travel even faster to escape the jealous rage of Lottie's tough American sweetheart.

Cafe Society

A CORRESPONDENT has complained in a newspaper that retired men not only do the shopping for their wives but fill the cafes afterwards for their elegances, and gossip like women.

What's that, old man? I said I don't believe he's only 60.

Well, his hair's not grey, is it?

Don't make me laugh, old man. Don't you know dye when you see it?

Are you telling me he dyes his hair?

Have a look at the parting, old man. Besides, on a hot day, the dye runs into his eyes like mascara.

Still, it's over 60 he keeps his figure pretty well. Figure my foot, old man. Well, he doesn't look like a couple of pear drops on legs.

We don't happen to wear corsets, old man.

Lottie Hits Out

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THE FIRST JUMP AT AINTREE



The first jump of the Grand National course at Aintree. Grand Truce (No. 36) is down, Knuckleduster (No. 15) gallops on, while Parasol II (17) stumbles by and Walt and See (27) takes violent evasive action.

Australian Tennis Team Undergoing Course Of Hard Physical Training

Sydney, Apr. 7.

The Australian tennis team is having a course of hard physical training in preparation for a round of tournaments in Britain, Europe, and the United States.

The players — Mervyn Rose, Ken Rosewall, Lewis Hoad, Clive Wilderspin, and Ian Ayre — will leave Sydney on April 25 with manager Harry Hopman. Their first tournament will be the Italian Championships in Rome, starting May 3.

Hopman insists his players should be 100 per cent fit, and his attention to this has been credited with playing a big part in Australia's Davis Cup successes of recent years.

Hopman started the fitness campaign in early March when he ordered Rose to Melbourne for a week of running and gymnasium training. He did this straight after Rose's poor showing against veteran John Bromwich in the quarter-final of the Australian Hardcourt Championship at Rockdale, Sydney. Bromwich beat him 8-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Rosewall, Hoad, and Wilderspin also are doing their physical training in Melbourne. Ayre did his first two weeks' training in Brisbane under the eagle eye of Hopman himself, who was there coaching a class of juniors.

A week before they are due to leave, they will assemble in Sydney. Hopman will give them a week of intensive training, with only a fraction of the time being devoted to tennis. — Associated Press.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Deserving Victors

Sir—I must take exception to "Recorder's" hockey write up in your Tuesday's edition.

It appears to me biased and unjust.

He infers that the standard of ladies' hockey has deteriorated to the extent that a schoolgirl's team can become the Ladies' Hockey League Champions.

Why has a sports writer become so biased that he cannot give credit where credit is due?

Any team in any realm of sport which can play 17 games, lose one, score 80 goals with only seven scored against them, deserves credit.

Has "Recorder" paused to realise that these schoolgirls are champions not so much because of skill and experience but because of youth, splendid teamwork and unlimited enthusiasm?

The Grenlins last week were not a dispirited side, they intended to win if they could and they certainly tried.

Again why bring in other forms of sport when "Recorder" can have no idea what sports these girls are interested in, apart from hockey?

The sneer at the swimming abilities of some members of this team is unworthy of your respected newspaper.

There is an old saying "Recorder", "that the bigger they are the harder they fall" and that applies equally to hockey as to any other sport.

The whole write up is just so much journalistic rubbish.

LESLIE BONES.

IN REPLY

Three King George V School 1st Xis have tried to win the Ladies' Hockey League Championship since the League was re-started 30 months ago, and the present one has succeeded. More power to them. As Mr. Bones points out, any team which can score 80 goals, etc., are deserving of victory.

Last year's team was also very deserving of victory. They had no coaching, and they were playing against exceptionally strong teams which were very well coached and ably led.

None of the teams that the present year's KGV School team met were exceptionally good, and for ever, had a full

turnout of all the available best talent, much of this talent being half-trained or untrained.

The original King George V School team—the first in history to play in the First Division—have not forgotten the old CBS, was well coached, but were up against the best players available in the three years of the postwar league.

There were no players this season of the standard of Suzanne Whitcombe, Claire Negus, Add Tunworth, Noelle Simmons and Marie Mellick (as they were last year), Amanda Silva, Peglyn Faber, Marjorie McNeill, Valerie Slade, to mention but a few.

A Grenlin, Victorian or Rectorio team last year or the year before was no 5-0 walk-over for schoolgirls. Hence our nostalgic reference to Hodgkins & Co., who were inexperienced but determined girls who usually lost to the "giants" and sometimes scored a victory that was, indeed, glorious.

Our reference to other sports is not without point. The first ever King George V School Hockey XI participated in every other sport except hockey, while the present team are so hockey-conscious that they apparently have no time for other sports.

The will to win as a team may be there, not to a greater extent than it was, with the two teams that preceded it—but the will to shine individually is absent.

Hence the reference to swimming. That was brought up as an acknowledgment that some of the girls do swim competitively. But the will to win is still absent. This will include a lot of training and girls like Cynthia Eager and Vanessa Giles, who train, are so far ahead as a result.

There was, quite definitely, more spirit to Maureen Hodgkins, Valerie Jillett and their teams, particularly individual spirit and much team spirit. The teams led by these two girls depended on a small number of "stars", but it was usually a delight to watch the smaller try chipping in and making a go of a game against opponents to whom they conceded a lot in size and weight, and more in skill and experience.

Our main point was that hockey, after all, isn't everything, and Hodgkins & Co. would have been much more deserving victors had they won in their season.

—RECORDER.

Japanese Buyers Pay Top Price At Sydney Yearling Sales

Sydney, Apr. 7.

Japanese buyers paid top price in the yearling sales here today, 3,400 guineas for a colt, the Sydney Daily Telegraph reports.

The colt was sired by Midstream, leading Australian sire in the 1951 and 1952 seasons, whose progeny won nearly £500,000 in Australian stakes.

Progeny include the 1951 Melbourne Cup winner, Delta. The Japanese buyers also paid 1,600 and 1,500 guineas for two Midstream fillies.

The paper said the Japanese bought through the stock agents of Dalgety and Company Ltd.

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Lau Kam-yin of South China Athletic Association is a good and improving javelin thrower and is good for points in the Shot Put. He is a good pole vaulter and has the spring for relatively good performances in the High and Long Jump.

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Cpl. Tsan Kwok-lai represents the Hongkong Chinese Training Unit and is a good all-rounder who will depend more on an all-round score than on outstanding ability in one or two events.

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Their performances as against a mean 40-point performance were:

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OVER THE LAST FENCE



Mr J. H. Griffin's Early Mist (B. Marshall up) goes over the last fence on the way to its victory in the Grand National at Aintree.

MELBOURNE'S TARDINESS CRITICISED BY IOC CHANCELLOR

Lausanne, Apr. 6.

Otto Mayer, the Chancellor of the International Olympic Committee, said yesterday a report had been received from the Australian Organising Committee that the 1956 Games would be organised in the "true Olympic spirit."

Mayer urged that the Games be awarded to another nation because of Australian tardiness in completing plans for the competition.

"It is regrettable that this report arrived only Sunday, four years after the games were awarded to Melbourne," Mayer commented.

Mayer said he was told by the Australians that two representatives would be sent to the International Committee's meeting this month in Mexico City where arrangements for the games will be discussed.

He said the representatives would be A. W. Coles, former mayor of Melbourne, and H. Alderson, president of the Australian Olympic Committee — Associated Press.

AUSTRALIAN COMMENT

Melbourne, Apr. 6. Mr Edgar Tanner, Secretary of the Australian Olympic Federation, said today that he thought the Olympic rivalry between Europe and the Americas would block any attempt to take the 1956 games from Melbourne.

He was commenting on a New York report which quoted M. Armand, French Olympic Committee president as saying that Rome would bid for the 1956 games, when the International Olympic Committee met in Mexico City later this month.

Regarding the detailed report on plans for the games, sent by the Australian Olympic Committee to the Chancellor of the IOC in Lausanne, Mr Tanner said this did not contain a solution to the equestrian events problem.

"But a scheme for a pool of trained horses in Australia may be put before the International Horse Federation" added Mr Tanner.

Mr W. S. Kent Hughes, chairman of the Australian Olympic Committee said here today he could not see any grounds on which the International Olympic Committee could take the 1956 games away from Melbourne.

Mr Kent Hughes declared that Australia had done everything asked of her in preparing for the Games.—Reuter.

READY FOR DEBATE

Mexico City, Apr. 7. The Mexican President, Mr Adolfo Ruiz Cortines, will inaugurate the 58th meeting of the International Olympic Committee which begins here next week, it was disclosed today.

A Mexican spokesman said that Mr Cortines will speak briefly prior to the Committee's routine executive session. The Executive Committee will meet in the first part of the week to prepare papers for the main plenary session beginning on Friday and ending on April 23.

It is expected that there will be a "lively meeting" in view of the dispute as to whether Australia will be able to hold the 1956 Games. The Australian delegation is expected to present its case during the early part of the plenary session regarding the progress being made at Melbourne.

Reports indicated that the Australians had solved their financial and facilities problems and are preparing a stiff fight before the Committee to keep Melbourne as the site for the next Olympic Games.

The Committee's President, Mr Avery Brundage, will arrive on Sunday from Los Angeles to take charge of the forthcoming meetings, which will be private.

A spokesman pointed out that the "International" Committee always has met behind closed doors and that tradition will be kept here. Regular bulletins on the progress of our work will be issued through the Committee's Chancellery.—United Press.

INDONESIAN SOCCER TEAM COMING HERE

Manila, Apr. 7.

Sultan Hamengkumuwono of Jogjakarta, former Defence Minister, will head the Indonesian football delegation to Hong Kong in late April. The Indonesian Embassy announced tonight.

The Indonesian footballers, on a Far East goodwill tour, will arrive here on April 16 for a brief visit before proceeding to Hong Kong.

In the 27-man party are Indonesian Government officials, newsmen and 18 players.

The Indonesians will pass through Hong Kong, Bangkok and Burma. The team will participate in the Asian games in Manila in May, 1954.—Reuter.

THE GAMBOLS

By Barry Appleby



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BEST EMPIRE ATHLETIC PERFORMANCES

The Australian athletic season that came to an end recently was noteworthy for the achievements of the remarkable miler, John Landy, but the general track standard in Australia, also, has gone up by leaps and bounds, particularly in the sprints. In one race toward the end of the season, six men were timed in between 9.5 and 9.8 seconds in one race.

Marks in the South African and New Zealand seasons have been relatively poor, but some fast sprint marks have been returned in the early Indian and Ceylon seasons.

Best track marks throughout the British Commonwealth in the past 12 months follow.

100 YARDS

Hector Hogan (Australia)	9.5
Ed. Mc. Bailey (Trinidad)	9.6
Gordon Winton (Australia)	9.6
John Trelor (Australia)	9.6
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Doug Winton (Australia)	9.6
George Rhoden (Australia)	9.6
Jim Carrick (Australia)	9.6
Graham MacGregor (Australia)	9.6
Graham Clifton (Australia)	9.6
Eddie Carr (Australia)	9.6
Kevin Reede (Australia)	9.6
Byron Lauder (Australia)	9.6
J. Muskalov (Fiji)	9.6
E. Levala (Fiji)	9.6
Alastair Gordon (Australia)	9.6
D. Darlington (England)	9.6

*Wind-aided.

100 METRES

E. Mc. Bailey (Trinidad)	10.4
Herb McKenley (Australia)	10.4
S. Navaratnam (Ceylon)	10.4
John Trelor (Australia)	10.4
Dill Job (Australia)	10.4
Hector Hogan (Australia)	10.4
Brian Butterfield (Australia)	10.4
Doug Winton (Australia)	10.4
David Aziz (Pakistan)	10.4
Larry Pinto (Australia)	10.4
Ted Eden (Australia)	10.4
Michael Agostini (Trinidad)	10.4
Belmont Singh (Australia)	10.4
S. M. Gabriel (India)	10.4
Sgt. MacQuarrie (Singapore)	10.4
Willie Jack (Scotland)	10.4
Graham MacGregor (Australia)	10.4
Bill Bailey (Australia)	10.4
Tan Eng-yoon (Singapore)	10.4
Leslie Laing (Australia)	10.4
Alan Lillingston (England)	10.4

220 YARDS

Herb McKenley (Australia)	21.0
E. Mc. Bailey (Trinidad)	21.0
Leslie Laing (Australia)	21.0
Brian Butterfield (Australia)	21.0
Jim Lavery (Canada)	21.0
Nick Slacey (England)	21.0
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G. S. Ellis (England)	21.0
Irian Shenton (England)	21.0
Willie Jack (Scotland)	21.0
Edwin Carr (Australia)	21.0

*1 second added to time over 200 metres. **Wind-aided.

440 YARDS

George Rhoden (Australia)	40.2
Herb McKenley (Australia)	40.2
Arthur Wint (Australia)	40.2
Jim Lavery (Canada)	40.2
Jack Carroll (Australia)	40.2
Graham Clifton (Australia)	40.2
Les Lewis (England)	40.2
Terrance Higgins (England)	40.2
Alan Dick (Australia)	40.2
Edwin Carr (Australia)	40.2

Home Soccer Results

The following were the results of football matches played today:

Division I

Aston Villa 1 W. Bromwich 1

Division II

Huddersfield 8 Everton 2

Leicester 3 Rotherham 2

Division III (South)

Northampton 2 Ipswich 0

Division III (North)

Bradford C 2 Carlisle 2

Mansfield 2 Halifax 2

IRISH LEAGUE

Ballymena 0 Glentworth 1

Bangor 1 Distillery 0

Cliftonville 1 Linfield 4

Crusaders 2 Portadown 2

Derry City 1 Ardara 3

Glentworth 0 Coleraine 2

—Reuter.

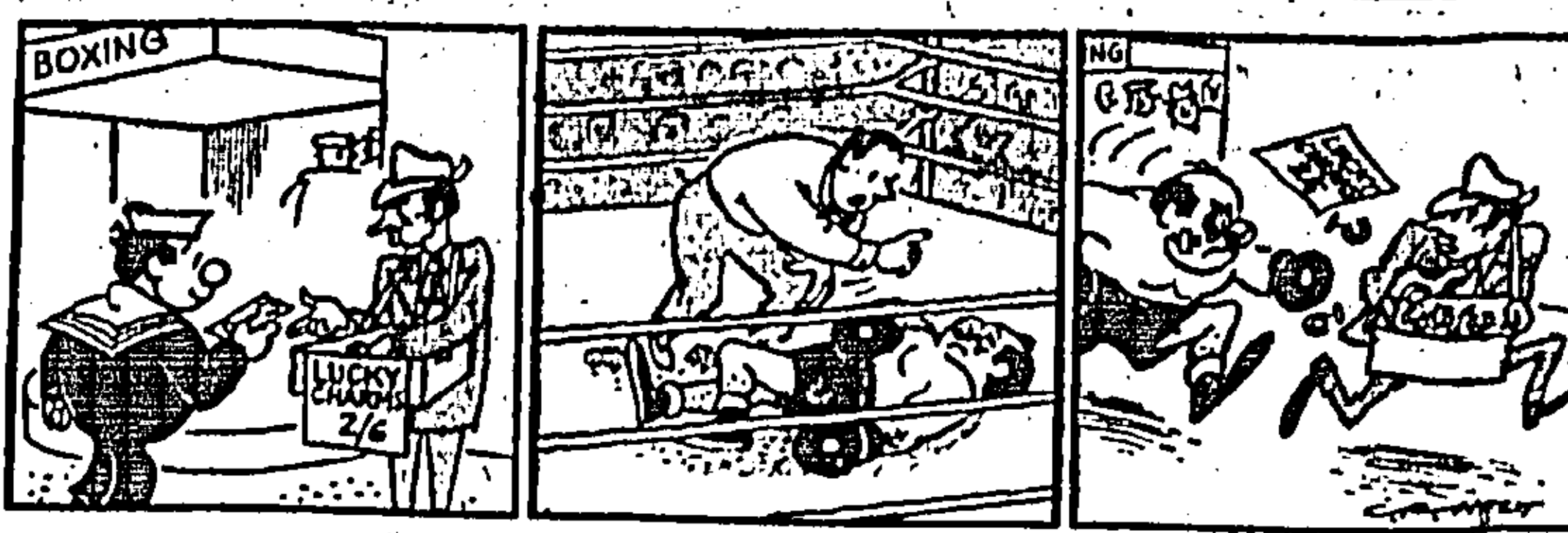
"LITTLE NENE" IS SUSPENDED

The Singapore boxing manager, Filemon Salaysay (Little Nene), and his two fighters, Lim Kee-chen and Little Paras, have been suspended for two years by the National Boxing Association of America at the request of the Games and Amusement Board of the Philippine Islands.

This was announced by the GAB chairman, Valeriano Fugoso, who received a notification of suspension from the NBA Executive Secretary. The suspension grew out of the failure of Little Nene and his two fighters to appear for scheduled main event matches at Rizal Stadium here last February 10. Fugoso said the suspension was ordered by the NBA for "conduct to the prejudice of good order in boxing."

Manila, Apr. 7.

Fugoso said copies of the NBA suspension notice were being sent to the British Boxing Board and the European Boxing Union. The GAB said Nene and his two boxers also have been banned from competition in Britain, Japan and Thailand. They have been banned from competition in the Philippines immediately after the February 10 incident, which caused a near riot among the disappointed fans at the stadium. —United Press.



JAMES PARK RECALLS OLD RACING DAYS

It Took A Barrage Of Rotten Eggs To Convince The Stewards About The Race Gangs

Racing was more fun in the old days when money was money and not just a symbol, but at least it is now safe to go on any racecourse. That was not always the case.

Indirectly, I was instrumental in introducing the Jockey Club police force, who finally wiped out "the boys."

Just after the 1914-18 war a gang of toughs decided there was easy money to be got on the racecourses. It was literally "daylight robbery."

One day, after the last race on the July course at Newmarket, there was a scramble for the buses and taxis taking visitors to the town and station. "The boys" were helping the visitors in—and helping themselves, too.

I decided my duty was to say something about it—and my story appeared next day. The only other reporter to have the courage to make any comment was the late Johnny Dick.

I was called before the Stewards. Sir Samuel Scott was senior steward, and Lord Lonsdale and Sir Berkeley Sheffield.

The chief constable and the chief superintendent were there, and after I had given evidence the police representatives were asked for their opinion. After hearing them Sir Samuel Scott turned to me and said: "I think there has been much imagination and very little fact."

I replied that everything I had written was true, then I stormed out of the room.

When I got back to the Press room Johnny Dick asked how they had treated me. "Like a dog," was my reply.

A few minutes after, Mr. Weatherly came in and told Dick the Stewards would like to see him. Johnny said, "Tell the Stewards their invitation is declined with thanks."

At the second July meeting, Johnny Dick walked out of his hotel one morning and was promptly covered with rotten eggs, lime and jam. The shock made him have a breakdown.

That morning I was stopped in the High Street by a stammerer who said he had the course, you will hear what happened to Dick," he said.

NOW—AN APOLOGY
I asked what had happened. He replied:

"Never mind—but you, too, have been sentenced. If you make any comment on the incident you will also go through it."

The Stewards of the Jockey Club soon knew all about it. They could no longer deny the presence of "the boys."

Wales have left the defence intact in spite of their 5-2 defeat by England at Wembley last November.

John Charles, who represented Wales at centre-half against Ireland three years ago and has since been converted to a successful centre-forward by Leeds United, gains his first international place as a forward at inside right. The forward line consists entirely of Swansea-born players and all are past or present members of the Swansea Town Club.

MORE COMFORT?
Lack of comfort on English racecourses annoys visitors from abroad. There has been little or no change on many courses for years.

That is not the fault of the executives. If the financial difficulty could be resolved, they could build up-to-date stands on the course. It was once hoped there would be a steadily increasing bonus from Totalisator profits, but anticipations have not been realised.

So far as I know, no racecourse company has received money from the Totalisator profits for building improvements. In fact, some companies are dissatisfied with the present procedure.

The time may be near when a demand will be made by the famous American racehorse Whirlaway, first horse to win \$500,000 (£175,000) in prize money, died today at M. Marcel Boussac's stables at Fresnay le Buffard.

M. Boussac bought Whirlaway after the war from his American owner, Mr. Wright, proprietor of the Calumet Farm, breeding grounds of many champions.

Whirlaway, who was 10, was by the Aga Khan's 1930 Epsom Derby winner, Glenheim, out of Duetmist. He won \$301,101 (£200,000) from 1940 to 1947. This figure has since been topped by several American horses. In 1951 the Calumet Farm's colt topped the million dollars mark.—Reuter.

DISCUS THROW RECORD
Los Angeles, Apr. 7.
The Olympic champion, Sim Ivers, today set the world record for discus throwing with a throw of 57.73 metres (189 feet 4 inches).

The previous world record of 56.97 metres was set by the American, Fortune Gordien, in Finland in 1949.

Ivers set the Olympic discus throwing record in Helsinki last year.—France Press.

G. M. YOUNG CUP
The final for the G.M. Young Cup was played at Fanning during the Easter Holidays between The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and The Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd., which the Hongkong Bank team won after a hard tussle.

FANLING GOLF
K.S. Kinghorn and K.A. Miller tied for first place in this 36 hole competition at Fanning on Easter Sunday, and they will play off over 18 holes on the Old Course at 9.10 a.m. on Sunday.

Sixty-four players participated in the competition, the scores of those in the first ten places being as follows:

1. K.S. Kinghorn, (151-4) 147; 2. K.A. Miller, (153-30) 147; 3. W.D. Leighton, (166-18) 148; 4. W. Stoker, (182-34) 148; 5. J.K. Watson, (158-30) 148; 6. F. de Jong, (177-28) 149; 7. T.G.C. Knight, (173-24) 149; 8. N.J. Wholpton, (167-18) 149; 9. R.J. Collins, (164-14) 150; 10. J.B. Wilson, (182-42) 150.

CAPTAIN'S CUP
W.C. Hung won the April Qualifying Round for the Captain's Cup played during the weekend with a net score of 69. (79-10). H. Small, being runner-up with a net score of 70. (76-6).

Li Col P.H. Carey with a return of 70 (82-12) won the Medal Pool competition, and D. L. Anderson (71-7-72), J.C. Baker (87-15-73), T.A. Pearce (81-9-72) and R.J. Tiffin (89-17-72) tied for second place.

The Bogy Pool was won by M. Daniel who returned a card showing one up and a Medal score of 67 (61-24). J.D. Wilson being runner-up with one down.

G. M. YOUNG CUP
The final for the G.M. Young Cup was played at Fanning during the Easter Holidays between The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and The Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd., which the Hongkong Bank team won after a hard tussle.

Whirlaway Dies
The famous American racehorse Whirlaway, first horse to win \$500,000 (£175,000) in prize money, died today at M. Marcel Boussac's stables at Fresnay le Buffard.

M. Boussac bought Whirlaway after the war from his American owner, Mr. Wright, proprietor of the Calumet Farm, breeding grounds of many champions.

Whirlaway, who was 10, was by the Aga Khan's 1930 Epsom Derby winner, Glenheim, out of Duetmist. He won \$301,101 (£200,000) from 1940 to 1947. This figure has since been topped by several American horses. In 1951 the Calumet Farm's colt topped the million dollars mark.—Reuter.

DISCUS THROW RECORD
Los Angeles, Apr. 7.
The Olympic champion, Sim Ivers, today set the world record for discus throwing with a throw of 57.73 metres (189 feet 4 inches).

The previous world record of 56.97 metres was set by the American, Fortune Gordien, in Finland in 1949.

Ivers set the Olympic discus throwing record in Helsinki last year.—France Press.

THE CRUEL SEA Is A Cruel Picture, But Presented With Honesty

Says PAUL DEHN

The Cruel Sea is a cruel picture. By this I mean that Ealing has faced the circumstances of our Navy in wartime with an honesty which makes even the book look prettified and all other Navy pictures downright namby-pamby.

When sailors dive from a sinking ship into the Atlantic, they don't swim silently. They cough and retch.

The picture shows them coughing and retching. When torpedo survivors are brought on board, they don't fall gracefully into hot blankets and slip their run with happy smiles. They often bleed, below decks, and die.

The picture shows them bleeding and dying.

It also shows men clinging to a raft—not with the rueful British grin of Noel Coward's crew in *In Which We Serve*, but shaking like epileptics and terrified to fall asleep, their faces black with cold.

The nightmare of Jack Hawkins, who brilliantly plays the commander of the corvette, *Compass Rose*, is for a while our nightmare.

It is through a sailor's (not a film star's) ears that we hear from the speaking tube on the bridge, the howls of the wounded engine-room crew below.

It is through a sailor's (not a film star's) eye that we see the bodies of other sailors blown high out of the ocean by depth-charges which had to be dropped (a correct but ghastly decision), on a U-boat lurking under them.

But it is the cruelty in retrospect that chiefly tells Mr. Hawkins who superbly tells it.

IT STUNNED ME
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NO MATINEE IDOL
Why did it take so long? Says the frank Hawkins: "It was probably my own fault. I paid too little attention to the screen. I had a feeling films were only a sideline to the stage."

He added: "I've been lucky. The truth is that any success I have achieved has been due to walking into a series of good pictures. The films were popular. I had the benefit."

What of the future? Well, there's the new Rank contract. Of Hollywood, he says: "I wouldn't mind making one picture there, but that's all."

"I'm getting no younger. My roots are in England. I have no illusions about myself as a matinee idol. I'm a wrong type and the wrong age for juvenile leads, and too gruff."

But this shrewd, beetle-browed man, who is reluctant to let his career interfere with his family life with wife and two small children, is fairly sure on one point.

Despite unfulfilled ambitions in the theatre he is unlikely to return to the stage. "Even though they aren't always fool-proof, the best stories are in the films these days," he says.

FOUR YEARS LATE
Eva Bartok, a beautiful Hungarian actress, fled her native country four years ago to seek success in the West in a role in *A Tale of Five Cities*.

The film started, fled through owing to lack of funds, but was completed two years later.

She came to London with her looks (and plenty of them) and no language but her own. They cast her in a part without dialogue in *Final Night*, a newspaper story. The picture never got on the floor.

So she learned English and Italian, and became a stage star in Rome.

But Lancaster spotted her, made her a star in *Crimson Pirate*.

Then came *The Venetian Bird* and two films not yet screened, *Park Plaza* and *Spaceways*.

Recently Eva started work with Jack Hawkins and Elizabeth Allen in *Newspaper Story*, playing a role without dialogue—her part she should have played four years ago.

Now Germany, Italy and Hollywood are clamouring for her services, hope Britain is, too—after all this time.

CHRISTIE SERIAL
The death of Queen Mary reminds me that she was responsible for Richard Attenborough and Sheila Sims appearing in the stage hit *The Mousetrap*.

Author Agatha Christie wrote this comedy thriller as a radio play, under the title of *Three Blind Mice*, for Queen Mary's 80th birthday.

Enthusiasm In Malaya Over Dave Freeman

Singapore, Apr. 7.
A sunburst of enthusiasm among Malayan sport circles today greeted the news of California's badminton player Dave Freeman's victory in the United States National Championships.

Singapore—home of the globe champion Thomas Cup team and present world capital of badminton—was buzzing with excitement over the possibility that Freeman will be invited to Malaya to participate in exhibition matches.

This afternoon the newspaper Press called for an invitation to Freeman to visit Malaya.—United Press.

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DEATHS

CARVALHO — Julia, 85 years, passed away peacefully in her sleep at 9 A. Broom Road on 31st April 1953. Funeral will leave the Hongkong General Funeral Parlour (Wanchai Road) at 6 p.m. today, passing the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

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Stalin's Body To Be Permanently Preserved

New York, Apr. 7.

Joseph Stalin's body may require periodic injections and treatment if it is to be preserved indefinitely.

Because of Stalin's age and possible complications resulting from the announced cause of death, an embalming authority, John H. Eckels of Philadelphia, says "it may be necessary to make several injections of the (embalming) solution over a period of time to insure complete embalment."

The Russians have indicated they hope to save their late leader's remains for posterity, as they did the body of Lenin, the first great and revered leader of Soviet Communism. Four days after Stalin's death on March 5, his body was placed in a mausoleum next to the remains of Lenin which had been under glass through 20 years of

public veneration. The red-marble tomb, just beyond the frowning brick walls of Moscow's Kremlin, currently is closed to the public.

Eckels, who is President of the Eckels College of Mortuary Science, Inc., said:

"If it can be assumed that Stalin's remains were similarly prepared with the ultimate aim being permanent preservation as were Lenin's remains, supplementary injections of embalming fluid might be necessary. Embalmers generally agree a similar system was used on Stalin as on Lenin. What was it?"

FORMALDEHYDE

An internationally known authority on formaldehyde, the late James A. Brangan, of Philadelphia, was given special permission to examine Lenin's body in 1932, eight years after he died.

Brangan found the body so thoroughly impregnated with formaldehyde solution—a disinfectant used in almost all embalming—that the body tissues were completely transformed to a synthetic resin.

Brangan concluded the body would remain intact indefinitely. The transformation, he said, completely changed the chemical composition of Lenin's body, but allowed it to keep its original appearance.

How was it done? Brangan said the body was injected with a strong solution of formaldehyde tempered by control chemicals which aided in distribution of the solution through the body tissues. Associated Press.

Ten Days That Rocked The World

Moscow, Apr. 7.

A party of American editors asked Premier Georgi Malenkov today to allow many more American newspaper correspondents into Russia, and expressed the hope that Russian correspondents might go to the United States.

Addressing Malenkov in a farewell letter, an "Estimated Excellency," the editors expressed gratitude for permission given them to visit Russia.

Commenting on developments which coincided with their visit, the editors said that news announcements from Moscow during the last 10 days can be compared only with the 10 days that rocked the world in October, 1917. "Ten Days That Rocked the World" was the title of a book about the Bolshevik Revolution by American leftist writer John Reed.

The editors said they would like to visit Russia every year to watch its material and spiritual progress. The 10 editors shouted "farewell" in Russian, as they left after a history-making visit. United Press.

Du Barry Watch To Be On Show

New York, April, 7.

The watch that King Louis XV of France gave to Madame du Barry is now in the hands of watch craftsmen who expect to have it ticking again.

This watch, mounted on a small gold case and with a pocket by one of the world's finest publicised watchmakers, is part of a collection that will soon be shown in American museums.

The United States Time Corporation, owner of the collection, has sent 15 famous watches to experts in the United States and abroad for inspection and restoration. They include a heart-shaped watch Napoleon gave to the Empress Josephine, a watch set in a rock crystal case and worn by Queen Elizabeth I of England, and another said to have belonged to Queen Mary of Scotland. United Press.

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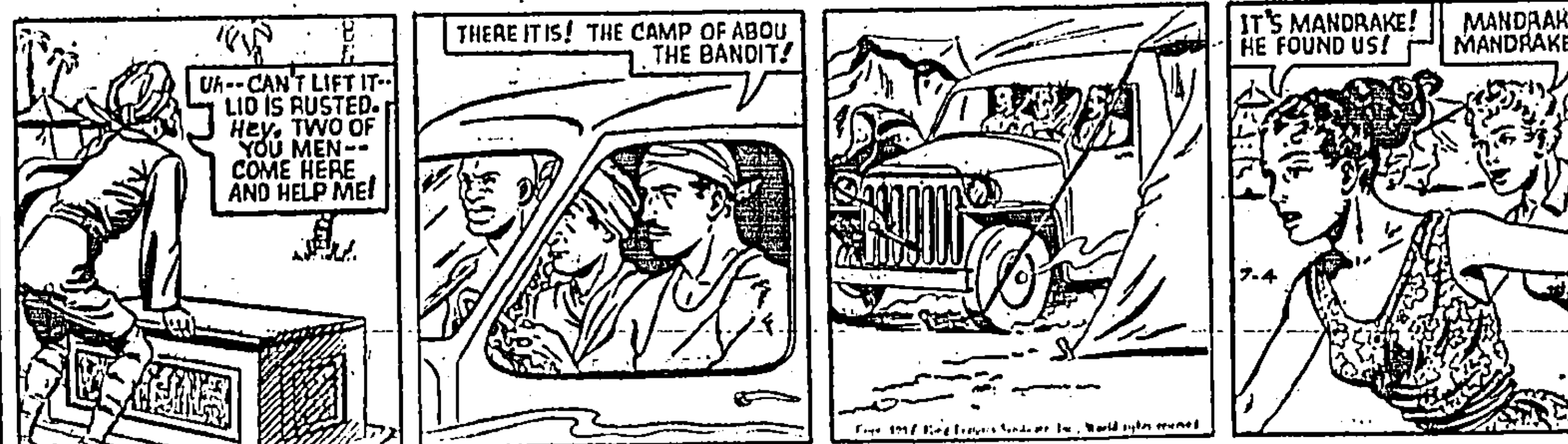
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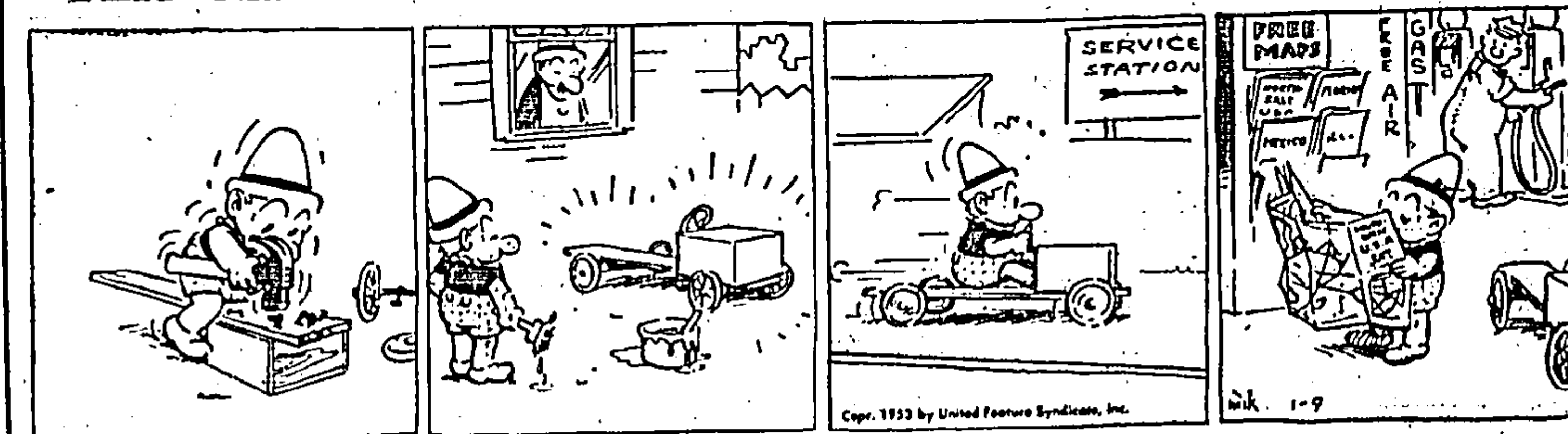
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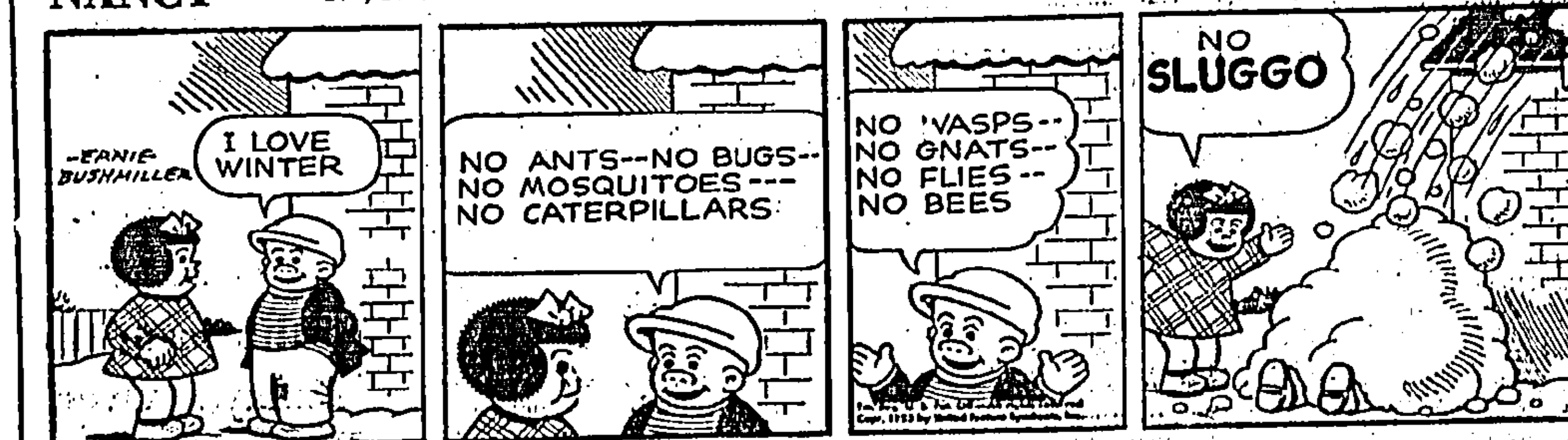
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Ridgway's Bid For Coordination

Rabat, Morocco, Apr. 7. General Matthew B. Ridgway, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, conferred today with American, French and Moroccan leaders to tighten the links between his European Command and this strategic North African beachhead, site of five major United States air bases.

Making a four-day visit in his capacity as Commander of United States forces in Europe rather than as NATO chief, General Ridgway met the French Resident-General, M. Augustin Guillaume. Later in the day General Ridgway held an audience with the Sultan of Morocco whose nationalist dispute with France is blocking full exploitation of Morocco as a French base.

General Ridgway was accompanied on his trip by Major-General David Hutchinson, new head of the Fifth Air Division operations of bases.

Officials said that although General Ridgway has no control over North Africa he is vitally interested in co-ordinating activities with the forces here which would support him in case of an attack on Western Europe. United Press.

Lincolnshire Air Crash

London, Apr. 7. Senior Pilot Cadet Sabir Singh Ahluwalia of Pakistan, a member of the two-man crew of an RAF Harvard training aircraft, was killed last night when the plane on a training flight from the Cranwell RAE Station, Lincolnshire, crashed at Packington, a village two miles south of Ashby-de-la-Zouch. The other member of the crew was slightly injured. France Press.

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Convertibility Of Sterling Delayed On American Insistence

By Ronald Boxall

London, Apr. 7.

The conciliatory attitude adopted by Mr Butler at the Council of O.E.E.C. meeting in Paris has given rise to second thoughts regarding the outcome of the earlier Anglo-American economic talks in Washington.

It now appears that, while giving its official blessing to the idea of an eventual advance towards convertibility for Sterling, the American Government asked Mr Butler to delay his plans until other West European countries were ready to join in a general assault on currency restrictions. Indeed this would be a logical compromise, for the United States has given almost equal importance to plans for closer European economic co-operation as it has to its advocacy of greater freedom for currency and trade.

Communist Economy Not For India

—Says Finance Minister

New Delhi, Apr. 7. Sir Chintaman Deshmukh, the Finance Minister, said here today that under prevailing conditions in India "neither Communism, Socialism nor any other such system will work." He was replying to a two-day debate in the House of the People (Lower House of Parliament) on budget demands for grants for his Ministry.

Having studied different economic systems at work in various parts of the world, he thought that given certain conditions more than one system could be made to work, he said.

Sir Chintaman Deshmukh said one had to discover whether under certain conditions in a country one could choose a particular form of economy.

He said Communist members seemed to be "somewhat starry-eyed" and did not realise that a Communist economy required extraordinary ruthless leadership and preparedness by the population to tolerate hardships which would never be tolerated in any Democratic system.

Chicago Grain Futures

Chicago, Apr. 7. Chicago grain and the leading commodities were generally higher. Soybeans took the lead in the advance. Wheat closed today 1/4% higher and soybeans were 1 1/2% to 2% higher. Prices closed today as follows:—

Wheat—price per bushel	2.22
May	2.27 1/2-3/4
July	2.29 1/2-3/4
September	2.30 1/2-3/4
December	2.31 1/2-3/4
Corn	1.50 1/2-3/4
May	1.51 1/2-3/4
July	1.52 1/2-3/4
September	1.53 1/2-3/4
December	1.54 1/2-3/4
Rye	1.37
May	1.40 1/2-3/4
July	1.41 1/2-3/4
September	1.42 1/2-3/4
December	1.43 1/2-3/4
New York Number 2 soft wheat	71-71 1/2
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Southern Rhodesians Vote Tomorrow On Federation

Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, Apr. 8.
Southern Rhodesia's 49,000 voters will decide tomorrow whether to join in creating a new dominion of 175,000 Europeans and over 6,000,000 Africans.

If they vote "Yes" it is almost certain that the Legislative Councils of Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland will also agree to the controversial plan for Central African federation.

The referendum is expected to bring out one of the heaviest polls in recent years, the climax of months of debates, forums, letters to the newspapers and domestic argument.

Approval of federation by the British House of Commons is virtually assured. A debate in the House last month, forced by the Labour Opposition, ended in a favourable decision for the scheme.

If all goes according to plan, the British Parliament will clear "the enabling bill" in May.

An Order-in-Council establishing the federation would then provide for the immediate appointment of a Governor-General, probably someone from the British peerage.

STOP WORK DECISION
Blantyre, Nyasaland Apr. 7.

An Easter meeting of Africans here decided that all Nyasaland Africans would stop work if the British government "forced through" its federation with Northern and Southern Rhodesia.

The meeting, called by chiefs and the African Congress, also decided that Nyasalanders employed in Northern and Southern Rhodesia would be called home, and they would refuse to pay their taxes.

Unofficial estimates said about 3,000 Africans attended the meeting, but the Nyasaland government placed the figure at 800.

The Reverend Michael Scott, the Anglican clergyman who has been continuously campaigning against the colour bar in Africa, told the meeting a central African federation on the present terms would be a disaster to the promises made by Queen Victoria to the Nyasaland people.

There had been no indication that Mr Scott was in Nyasaland until reports of Sunday's meeting were received.—Reuter.

New Russian Moves

Interpreted Intoxicated Driver Fined

Belgrade, April 7.
Mr. Eduard Kardelj, Yugoslav first Vice President, said today that the reason behind the latest changes in Soviet policy was that the new regime in Moscow was forced to look for popularity among the masses.

"This is at the same time proof of how much the masses have resisted the regime in the Soviet Union," he told an audience of factory workers at Kragujevac, Central Serbia.

The new Soviet line over Korea and Germany, the release of the doctors and arrest of security officials, and the Soviet amnesty, all gave the impression that the new leaders wanted to draw Marshal Stalin's policy.

"If the new Soviet leaders prove they truly want peace, everything should be done to encourage this," Mr. Kardelj said. "If these latest moves are only manoeuvres, they will soon be unmasked."

FATE OF PEACE
On the other hand, "peace-loving people must not weaken their vigilance and defence efforts," Mr. Kardelj said.

Nothing should be overlooked which might contribute to the cause of peace, but neither must there be any giving way to illusions.

The new situation, Mr. Kardelj said, "proves what we have been saying all along—that the fate of peace depends only on the Soviet Union."

He declared that Yugoslavia could be proud of her resistance to Soviet hegemony. Other countries which in the past had supported anti-Yugoslav resolutions now "found themselves in serious internal quarrels."

Mr. Kardelj added that the arrest of leading members of the Soviet Security Service and the statement that they had executed false confessions through a "strange light" on trials of people like Rudolf Slansky of Czechoslovakia, László Rajk of Hungary, Traicho Kostov of Bulgaria and Kocho of Albania.—Reuter.

Japan Expected To Increase Exports To The Colonies

London, Apr. 7.
The rate of Japanese exports to the British colonies this year are expected to increase by about 20 per cent over the rate in the second half of 1952, it was learned authoritatively here today.

This is the officially expected outcome of the British Government's "recommendation" to the colonies to relax partially some import restrictions on Japanese goods.

The recommendation was announced last Saturday in a British Treasury communiqué on the Anglo-Japanese trade and payments talks in Tokyo.

This action, the communiqué said, was taken in the light of Japan's deficit on her current payments with the sterling area, and was directed towards maintaining the present level of her purchases from the sterling area.

Unofficial sources here said it would be some months before Japan felt the full benefit of Britain's decision. It depended on how quickly the colonies announced their relaxations and how quickly local importers took advantage of them.

They also recalled that Britain's "request to the colonies a year or more ago was that they should reduce non-dollar imports by 50 per cent. A 20 per cent increase in such imports would raise the figure to 60 per cent of the pre-restriction level.

But this figure could only be a rough guide, the sources said. The restrictions imposed varied among the colonies and the 50 per cent cut did not necessarily affect all supplying countries equally—it was a cut on the total of non-dollar imports.—Reuter.

Korean War Casualties

Washington, Apr. 7.
The Korean War has cost both sides a total of over half a million casualties since the truce talks began in July 1951, it was officially estimated here today.

The estimated Communist casualty toll rose by 430,000 to a total of 1,457,000.

The United States is the only member of the United Nations fighting in Korea which makes weekly reports of battle casualties. Other nations have made periodic reports. The last U.N. report on total casualties is 224,780 South Korean—dead and wounded and missing, with U.N.—non-U.S. casualties, 11,430.—Reuter.

A Further Soviet Concession

United Nations, Apr. 7.
Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky said today that Russia would not introduce its own disarmament proposal in the United Nations General Assembly in opposition to the Western-backed arms reduction measure.

Mr. Vyshinsky, affable almost to the point of gaiety, told newsmen, before the Assembly met to elect Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld of Sweden as the United Nations' new Secretary-General, that the Soviet Union would stand on the two amendments submitted to the Western resolution last week.

Mr. Vyshinsky's decision marked the first time within memory that the Russians had not backed on a recorded vote in the Assembly on its own resolution dealing with any major subject defeated in the Political Committee.

The United States, however, was not prepared to accept the Russian amendments. One purely procedural, knocks out praise for the United Nations Disarmament Commission's previous work. The other would delete from the Committee-approved resolution reaffirmation of the disarmament resolution which the Assembly passed in Paris.

The 1951 resolution set forth an atomic control plan favoured by the United States.

LEAVES PLAN INTACT
However, Mr. Vyshinsky's amendments would leave intact the plan of work laid out for the Disarmament Commission. This plan provides for the establishment of effective international control of atomic energy before atomic weapons are prohibited.

Until now, the Russians have come no closer to the Western position than to demand that control and prohibition be instituted simultaneously. Many observers regarded the new Russian position as a bona fide of the Kremlin's sincerity in its current "peace offensive."

Another indication of the new Kremlin line came this morning when Mr. Valerian Zorin, Soviet delegate, discussed the Communist germ warfare charges in unusually subdued terms, appealed anew for United States ratification of the 1925 Geneva protocol outlawing bacteriological weapons.—United Press.

Princess Margaret Going To Oslo
London, Apr. 7.
Princess Margaret will represent Queen Elizabeth in Oslo on May 15 at the wedding of Princess Ragnhild Alexandra and Erling Svend Lorentzen, Buckingham Palace announced tonight.

Princess Ragnhild is the daughter of Crown Prince Olaf of Norway. Princess Margaret will be attended by Lady Joan Rankin, lady-in-waiting, and Major Gen. Guy Salisbury Jones, Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps.—United Press.

Narriman Arrives Home



Ex-Queen Narriman arrives at Cairo International Airport with her mother from Geneva, and is met by her uncle Moustafa Sadek. She is surrounded by military and police officers.—London Express.

Malaya Campaign Must Not Be Relaxed Says Newspaper

Leeds, Apr. 8.
Today's Yorkshire Post urged that the campaign against terrorism in Malaya should be continued with all possible vigour.

This Conservative paper endorsed the view that it was dangerous to consider any relaxation of this campaign.

The Yorkshire Post also submitted that peace in Korea might favour an expansion of Chinese activity in Malaya.

"Planters in Malaya have protested against the view that the emergency is ending and have declared against any tendency to relax," the paper began.

"They are right, and they can look for confirmation to General Templer, the High Commissioner, who spoke last month of a dangerous growth of complacency among the general public."

"To stress this point is not to say that matters are moving badly. They are not."

GREEN CURTAIN
"Plenty of evidence exists to show that General Templer has been tackling a very difficult problem in the right way and that the terrorists' activities are gradually being circumscribed. But it does not follow that all will now be well."

"For one thing the Malayan jungle provides a green curtain behind which far-reaching preparations for the expansion of terrorism may be going on."

"In this exceedingly difficult terrain even the best intelligence—and the British intelligence in Malaya is very good—"

ATTACK IS THROWN BACK

Seoul, Apr. 8.
The 8th Army said today that Belgian troops northwest of Kumhwa, on the central front, early today threw back an attack by nearly 200 Chinese after they had been forced to withdraw from an outpost position.

A briefing officer said that an unknown number of Chinese opened an assault early this morning with heavy machine gun and rifle fire on a small outpost east of Sugar Loaf Hill.

The Belgians withdrew to their main line and a few minutes later the Chinese launched an assault with nearly 200 men.—Reuter.

COUNCIL ELECTION NOMINEES

When nominations closed at 1 p.m. today for the forthcoming Urban Council election, the names of eight candidates had been submitted.

The contest, with polling day on Wednesday, May 20, will be for four vacancies on the Urban Council, the number of elected Unofficial members having recently been raised from two to four.

The following have been nominated as candidates:

Philip Dallen Au, Merchant, Brook A. Bernbach, Barrister at Law.

Perry Chen, Barrister at Law, Peter John Grimbs, Solicitor, Gerald Oliver Jones, Merchant.

Raymond Harry Shoon Lee, Medical Practitioner, William Sui Pak Loey, General Manager, Kowloon Motor Bus Co.

Woo Pak Chuen, Solicitor.

Alleged Conspiracy: Woman Witness Cross-Examined

A respondent in certain divorce proceedings last year who was called as a witness against three private detectives charged with conspiracy to defeat the cause of justice at the Victoria District Court this morning denied that she was willing to make "any wild statement" so long as it suited her purpose.

Under cross-examination, the witness, Lee Sau-ying, admitted having done what she could with others to furnish evidence to back her divorce from her husband.

Wong was testifying against Lam Yung-hon, 34, proprietor of the Y. H. Lam Detective Agency, residing at 32 Village Road, first floor; Lam Yung-tilt, 39, of 10 Shing On Street, ground floor; and Lam Yung-tai, 32, of 22 Yik Yam Street, third floor.

All three were alleged to have arranged for the fabrication of false evidence to be given in Divorce Jurisdiction Action No. 1 of 1952, between December 28, 1951, and July 12, 1952. The witness was the respondent in that action, and the petitioner was one Wong Kam-chiu.

The case is being heard by Judge A. D. Scholes, QC, and Mr. Leo D'Almada, QC, and Mr. Oswald Cheung, represent the first defendant, instructed by Mr. A. Lui. Second and third defendants are represented by Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin.

The prosecution is conducted by Mr. M. Morley-John and Mr. D. F. O'Reilly, Mayne, both Crown Counsel. They are assisted by Mr. J. Moore, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation.

Defendants are on bail of \$10,000 each.

When Lee had finished her evidence this morning, hearing was adjourned until 9.30 a.m. on June 8. Originally, the case had been set down for hearing on this date, but owing to the fact that Lee was going to Singapore, it had been decided to hear her evidence first.

Continuing her evidence from a previous hearing, witness told the Court that when she and the second accused had gone into room 302, Shan Kwong Hotel, Happy Valley, the second accused told her to go to the bed and embrace him as soon as there was a knock at the door.

Witness said she complied with this request when she heard the knock. Someone came in with a camera and took a picture of her and the accused on the bed. That same night, she took a boat to Macao. Cross-examining, Mr. D'Almada recalled to witness that in her evidence she had said that she and her husband had agreed to live apart in November 1949.

Further questioned, witness agreed that some time before the incident at the hotel, she discussed the matter quite fully with her husband, but did not decide on a divorce at the time.

She agreed further that by the time she returned from Macao after the hotel incident, and telephoned certain people, she had made up her mind to a divorce.

Counsel: So much so that you took the initiative, made telephone calls, and invited a man called Chan to tea?

Witness: Yes.

COULD NOT AGREE
Did you do all this merely to oblige your husband or as a result of some consideration he paid you?—It was because he was going round with a girl. As we could not agree with one another and were unhappy, we decided to separate.

Therefore you decided to do what you could to furnish evidence for the divorce.—Yes.

Questioned on the evidence given by Lee of a meeting between herself and some men at the On Lok Yuen Restaurant, in which the first accused was alleged to have been present, Counsel reminded witness that in her evidence she had said that one of the men had looked like the first accused.

Lee told the Court that she actually saw the first accused sitting in the restaurant.

Mr. D'Almada then suggested to her that the truth of the matter was that, insofar as the first accused was concerned, the evidence witness gave at the last hearing—that she thought she saw the first accused at the restaurant—was the truth. Witness persisted that she had seen first accused.

In his cross-examination, Mr. Wright asked Lee if she could call herself a truthful and virtuous woman. Witness replied in the affirmative.

COULD NOT REMEMBER
Counsel then drew witness' attention to a register book of the Shan Kwong Hotel, and said that she had testified that she had written her name and that of another person in there. He then asked her if the characters she was said to have

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, By Air
Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A. (New York) 6 p.m., H.K.A./N.W.A.L.
Japan, 6 p.m., B.O.A.C.
By Surface
Macao, 9 a.m.; 6 p.m., ss Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

Siam, 3 p.m., ss Fengtien.
Indo-China, 3 p.m., ss Sun On.
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 5 p.m., ss Benlawar.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, By Air
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 5 a.m., Via B.O.A.C.
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A. (San Francisco), 120 p.m., P.A.A.
C.F.A.A.
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m., C.F.A.A.

By Surface
Macao, 9 a.m., 6 p.m., ss Lee Hong/Tak Shing.
China, People's Republic, 5.30 a.m., train via Canton.

Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Italy, France, Great Britain & Europe, 11 a.m., ss Soudan.
India, Pakistan, Noon, ss Kyoritsu Maru.
Indonesia, 2 p.m., ss Fochow.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, By Air
Siam, Burma, India, 9 a.m., via T.A.C.
Japan, U.S.A., Canada, 11.30 a.m., C.F.A.A.
Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 3 p.m., Air France.
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